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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

clean water act — south carolina state revolving fund

JUNE 16, 2011

PROJECT: Little Mountain Sewer Project
Newberry County Water & Sewer Authority
Newberry County

This Department, under Section 48-5-40 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, has the authority and responsibility to conduct environmental reviews and approve wastewater preliminary engineering reports (PER) prepared for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program.

Our review has determined that the nature of this project is such that a full environmental review is not warranted and that the PER amendment is substantively exempt from environmental review requirements under the State Environmental Review Process. The Department has determined that the proposed project will not individually, or cumulatively over time, have a significant effect on the quality of the environment, and hereby issues this Categorical Exclusion (CE).

This CE coincides with the approval of the PER Amendment entitled "Amendment to the Preliminary Engineering Report for the Little Mountain Sewer Project," dated April 2011. A Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) was issued on July 1, 2009 for installing the force main, gravity sewer and two pump stations for the Little Mountain Sanitary Sewer Improvement. This scope of this CE incorporates the force main required to connect the Little Mountain sewer to an existing sewer pump station by boring under Highway I-26. This work shall be conducted in the highway right-of-way. The estimated total capital cost for this portion of the project is \$160,000. The Newberry County Water & Sewer Authority will implement the plan.

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